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In re PATENT APPLICATION OF

Confirmation No.: 1643

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Group Art Unit: 1711

Appn. No.: 10/014,801

Examiner: Ana Woodward

Filed: December 14, 2001

Title: PROCESS FOR THE PREPARATION OF AN IMPACT-RESISTANT POLYMER  
COMPOSITION

August 28, 2003

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REPLY TO FINAL REJECTION

Mail Stop Non-Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
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Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated July 14, 2003, please enter the following

Remarks and reconsider the propriety of the grounds for rejection.

REMARKS

Withdrawal of the final rejection, favorable reconsideration and allowance of the present application based on the following remarks are respectfully requested.

Claims 1-27 remain pending.

The Examiner considers that claims 1-12, 25 and 26 do not comply with the first paragraph of 35 USC 112, because the subject matter now claimed was not included in the written description.

Applicants respectfully disagree and traverse this rejection for at least the following reasons.

The basis for the rejection is that the specification, as originally filed, fails to provide express support for a process comprising melt mixing a solid polymer A with a solid masterbatch comprising the rubber dispersed in matrix polymer B. The specification is not considered to disclose that the masterbatch is solidified prior to admixing with the solid matrix A.